Lack of Transportation Hampers Fermin's Hope

By JERRY REYNOLDS
Press-Herald Staff Writer
The open heart of a Torrance woman is helping a small boy to walk alone for the first time in his life, but a lack of transportation may slow recovery from surgery performed to give him the strength to walk.

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The youngster is Fermin Verdugo, a six-year-old boy from Ensenada, Mexico. His benefactor is Mrs. Charles A. Adams of 18421 Amie Ave.

Mrs. Adams brought Fermin to Torrance in October of last year when she learned of a project to aid Mexican

children through a friend. Fermin, youngest of seven children, had never walked because of paralysis of his left side. left side.

SPECIALISTS at Orthopaedis Hospital first put the bright-eyed boy in a brace, but after nearly two months of observation they determined on surgery to lengthen the muscles in his left calf. The cast which encased Fermin's leg for several weeks was removed last week, and now the boy must undergo therapy to strengthen the elongated muscles, Ultimately, it is hoped, Fermin will be able to literally stand on his own two feet.

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To speed recovery and the day when Fermin may rejoin his family in Ensenada, a Walteria doctor volunteered to assist Mrs. Adams with the required treatment. The doctor offered to give Fermin daily therapy.

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Another friend, of the Adams family provided the daily transportation from the North Torrance home to Walteria, but had to leave town for several weeks. Since then, Mrs. Adams has received help from the pastor of the

Foursquare Church in North Torrance, but this takes him away from other work.

SO, MRS. ADAMS is hope ful a good samaritan will volunteer to provide the needed transportation. She fears all the effort so far ex-pended may be wasted if transportation cannot be found.

"We've gone too far to quit now," she says. "I want him to go home well." The project, Mrs. Adams feels, not only provides need-ed help to the youngsters who

participate, but adds incasti-ably to international good-will. She, like families which have helped other youngsters, paid all the costs of bringing Fermin to Torrance. Services from the Orthopaedic Hospi-tal were made available without charge.

Now she hopes to send him home well and walking. Anyone interested in providing the needed aid may call Mrs. Adams at 371-8464.



WORLD STAGE . . . Students from Bishop Montgomery High School get some help from Father Charles and Sister Celine Marie, freshman class moderators, in assembling their props for Frosh Spirit Week. Students are, from left, Bonnio Bussiere, Regina Coucher, and Carmela Cocuzzi. "All the World's a Stage" is the theme for the week's activities, which get in full swing in April.

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READY FOR SHOW... Paul Smith, who spends many of his days as captain of the crash truck at Torrance Municipal Airport, likes something more gentle for off hours — orchids. Captain Smith's forchids along with those of other members of the South Bay Gr.hid Societ; are on display today at Alondra Park Community building under the theme, "Orchids for Amateurs." Admission is free.

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The 65-66 budget also shows a decrease of 35 positions, Watson said.

Analyzing the budget history of his Department since whe took office in December the cost of establishing and 1962. Watson pointed out inat the current 44-65 budget increased only 6.44% in the two years while the Los Angeles General County budget had increased 26.08% in the same period.

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